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BINDING BY ANTIBODIES USING PROTEIN A
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Response to Restriction

Sir:

In response to the Restriction, dated 15 April 2003, Applicant elects with traverse the claims of Group 1 (claims 1-18) drawn to a blocked immunoglobulin.

No fee is believed due in making this response. The Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-0678.

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